

**Mesa Elementary School**  
**Hug - N- Go Information**  
**August 2019**

**The basics:**

The school parking lot is open for parents' use (for volunteering in the classroom, meeting with teachers, joining your child for lunch, picking up your child for an appointment etc.) from 8:45 am to 2:45 pm. Since school begins at 8:25 am and ends at 3:00 pm, you will either need to A) drop your child off at the curb in the "Hug 'n Go" lane directly in front of the school, B) park on a neighborhood street around Mesa and walk your child to school (or if the child is old enough, he/she can walk alone) or C) if you live in the neighborhood, walk with your child to school.

Parking is available on the east side of Lehigh, either side of Heidelberg, either side of Kendall or either side of Benthaven.

**How the Hug 'n Go lane works:**

Heading South on Lehigh, pull up to the curb, directly in front of the school. Stay in your car with your student. Pull your car up as each car in front of you drops his or her student off. When you are near the front of the line, have your student exit the car and walk directly up the stairs to school. (We will be recruiting volunteer parents to be on the sidewalk each day to welcome the kids, open car doors, help with overloaded arms etc.) Directly behind the Hug 'n Go lane is a loading zone with space for approximately four cars. You can drop your student off here, as well; your student would then follow the flow of other students on the sidewalk to his/her classroom entrance.

**\*Note that at the end of the day**, the Hug 'n Go lane becomes a loading zone only. You may pull into the lane (if it is not already full), stay with your car, and wait for your child to get in the car.

**What this means for you:**

Plan ahead if you want to accompany your child to the main or side entrances to school in the morning AND plan ahead if you want to pick your child up in your car at the bell at 3:00 pm. Also, talk to your child about what will happen at drop-off and pick-up!

**Finally**, if you feel like you or your student has a special circumstance, such as a disability, that requires you to have access to a school entrance only a few feet from your car, please reach out to Principal Josh Baldner at [josh.baldner@bvsd.org](mailto:josh.baldner@bvsd.org) or at 720-561-3000.